Theft of Staff Selection Commission Papers

2835. SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a flourishing racket in the theft and sale of staff Selection Commission examination question paper has been unearthed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the persons arrested in this connection; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) to (d) As per a Report received from the Delhi Police, they have recently arrested ten persons reportedly involved in leakage/ theft and sale of Staff Selection Commission's question papers in respect of Divisional Accountants/Auditors/ Upper Division Clerks, etc., Examination, 1995, and Clerks' Grade Examination, 1996. The arrested persons include five Government officials working in different offices-an Under Secretary and a Lower Division Clerk in the Planning Commission, an Upper Division Clerk in the National Crime Record Bureau, a Data Entry Operator Grade 'B' in the SSC and an Upper Division Clerk in the Income-Tax Office, New Delhi- and one daily rated casual labourer in the SSC. The Government officials were placed under deemed suspension and the casual labourer was disengaged from daily rated work, by the respective offices with effect from the date of their detention in police custody. Further necessary action against them will be taken by the concerned disciplinary authorities under the provisions of the relevant service rules, besides criminal prosecution.

[Translation]

Migration

2836. SHRI PAWAN DIWAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a large number of people are migrating from rural areas to the urban areas;

(b) if so, the number of people who migrated to the urban areas during the last five years and the reasons therefor and the population of rural areas as compared to urban areas; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to check the migration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) Data on the number of people who migrated to urban areas during the last five years are not available. However, data furnished by the Office of the Registrar General of India regarding migration classified by places of last residence as per the 1991 census are given in the enclosed Statement. People migrate to urban areas because of prosperity pull factors (attraction of cities for jobs) and poverty-push factors (poor living conditions in rural areas). The population of rural areas as per 1991 census was 62.87 crores and that of urban areas was 21.76 crores.

(c) The Government of India has adopted a two-pronged approach to deal with the problems of migration of population from villages to the cities. These are development of rural areas and upgradation of living conditions of the rural poor through a number of rural development and employment generation schemes such as Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY), Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), Million Well Scheme (MWC), Employment Assurances Scheme (EAS), Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWCRA), Training of Rural Youth for Self-Employment (TRYSEM), Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) Desert Development Programme (DDP), Rural Water Supply (RWS) etc. and (ii) development of regional growth centres to enable them to emerge as places of economic growth and emplyment opportunities for surrounding rural hinterlands through the scheme of Integrated Development and Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT).

Statement

Migrants Classified by Place of Last Residence India-1991.

Place of last residence	Rural Urban Status of place of last residence	Place where enumerated	Total Migrants		
			Persons	Male	Female
1	2	3	4	5	6
Total Migrants	Total	Total	232,112,973	64,308,038	167,804,935
Excluding		Rural	162,467,624	32,807,219	129,660,405
(Jammu & Kashmir)		Urban	69,645,349	31,500,819	38,144,530